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Dear Sirs,

I am a computer developer and intimately familiar with Microsoft's products and procedures. I do not support the current proposed settlement as I believe it will provide no protection from future illegal actions by Microsoft and provides no justice for those illegally affected by them in the past.

Even since this trial began Microsoft continues to make business decisions with the obvious goal of using their monopoly power to illegally force others out of the marketplace. The examples of this are numerous, and I will gladly supply a lengthy list if you wish. They continue to show their disrespect for the American legal system believing themselves to be beyond your reach.

Please reconsider this "deal" and give us justice and a world where we can compete with Microsoft in a marketplace where everyone doesn't use Microsoft products simply because they were illegally dumped into their lap.

Only a corporate culture of such powerful elitism and confidence in their own immunity to reality could be responsible for the patently ludicrous statements that they have recently issued against the Open Source community. The only people threatened by the Open Source movement are Microsoft. They fear they may have to compete with something for the first time in many years and they know that can't succeed without their monopoly powers. Take away Microsoft's ability to leverage their monopoly and the market will make the right decisions.

Thank you,  
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